MEMORANDUM

July 22, 1964

To: William T. Coleman

From: W. David Slawson

Subject: Publication of CIA Information on Oswald in Mexico Sent to Department of State and Other Agencies in Early October, 1963.

Arthur Dooley from CIA telephoned me today in response to a telephone call he said you had made to his Agency yesterday. He said that you had requested permission to reproduce the entire text of the telegram sent by CIA from Mexico to the State Department. He said that his Agency cannot permit that. He suggested instead that we simply state that on October ___, the Central Intelligence Agency informed the Department of State that Lee Harvey Oswald on October 1, 1963, had contacted the Soviet Embassy (or Consulate) in Mexico City. I told Dooley that the paraphrase he suggested would, in my opinion, suffice. I told him that unless he heard from us to the contrary, he could assume that this is all we would say.

This also means that we must delete from the Department of State file and any place else it appears, the copy of this particular telegram. Some appropriate indication that the deletion has occurred and that the copy of it is in a Top Secret section of our file should also probably be made out.

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